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MERCY PLANE SHOT DOWN

Holland May Accept Mediation Offer

The Hague, July 29.—Well-informed but unofficial sources said today that Holland was about ready to accept Britain's offer to mediate to end the Indonesian war if the Indonesians would recognise Dutch sovereignty over the whole of their country and if the Republicans would issue an immediate cease-fire order.

The Dutch Labour Party, meanwhile, was understood to feel that military action had accomplished its initial aims and the time had come for renewed negotiations. The Labourites were said to favour calling in both the British and the Americans to negotiate a peace settlement.

Circles in close touch with Government opinion said the Dutch probably would stop the offensive near Tegal on the Javanese north coast and short of Maling on the eastern side, without capturing the Republican stronghold.

NON-COMMITTAL

These sources hedged on making out-and-out predictions that the Dutch war machine would be halted, however, pointing out that the Republican "scorched earth" policy might force the Dutch to continue their march.

Dutch Labour Party executives met to discuss the Indonesian question after branches throughout Holland expressed "great anxiety" at what was going on in Java.

It was reliably reported that they voted wholeheartedly to support the Government for the time being and decided to call an emergency Party congress to get the rank and file opinion on Indonesia. The date for the congress was not set.—United Press.

Strong Earthquake

Honolulu, July 30.—An apparently strong earthquake, probably in the Celebes or Borneo, was registered at 1:30 p.m. GMT at the seismological observatory at Barber's Point. Shocks continued for three and a half hours. Their estimated distance was 5,800 miles from Hawaii.—Associated Press.

EDITORIAL

Don't Play Hide & Seek

MONDAY night's public meeting to discuss the Braga home-building scheme accomplished one purpose: it elected a committee to go more fully into the subject. Otherwise the proceedings were somewhat colourless, and the chief impression left was that of hesitancy on the part of the sponsors to commit themselves over costs, sites and types of buildings, until certain assurances were obtained from Government. There appears to be a certain amount of mutual suspicion about this. The home-builders want official promises of assistance while, it seems, Government requires more solid facts of large-scale building projects before it will associate itself with any of them. The danger of a stalemate is obvious. It is a stalemate which, if not quickly corrected, can easily lead to a breakdown in the co-operation Government is prepared to offer. The Home-builders are entitled to know, at this stage, whether the Authorities are prepared to support the scheme in principle. This, at least, would encourage the committee elected for the purpose of trying to make a proper suggestion a reality, to approach their task with some confidence. Government, if it is to be financially or otherwise

BY DUTCH

Nine, Including Four Britons, Killed

Carrying Medical Supplies

Batavia, July 29.—Nine people on board—an Indian, four Indonesians and four Britons—were killed when an Indian Dakota plane was shot down by two Dutch fighters today as it was about to land in the airfield at Jogjakarta, the Indonesian Republican capital.

The plane, which belonged to Mr B. Patnaik, crashed into the village of Wodjo, two and a half miles south of Jogjakarta and burst into flames. There was one survivor.

The Jogjakarta radio named these victims as: The pilot, former Wing-Commander Constantine, his wife, ex-Squadron-Leader Hazelhurst, an Indian engineer, Mechanic Bidarin, and four Indonesians, Mrs Agi Sutjipto, Abdul Rachman Saleh, Hadi Sumarno and Arifan Gani. The fourth British victim has not yet been identified.

The plane, which left Singapore earlier today, carrying two tons of medical supplies for the Indonesian Red Cross, belonged to Mr B. Patnaik, personal friend of Jawaharlal Nehru.

The pilot, ex-Wing-Commander Constantine, was an unofficial civil aviation adviser to the Indonesian Government. He commanded an RAF fighter squadron in India during the war.

Last week, the plane flew Dr Sutan Sjahrir, former Indonesian Prime Minister, from Jogjakarta to India through the Dutch air blockade on the first stage of his world tour, appealing for aid for his country. The Jogjakarta radio said that the plane was coming into the airfield with its under-carriage already lowered when it was attacked and shot down.

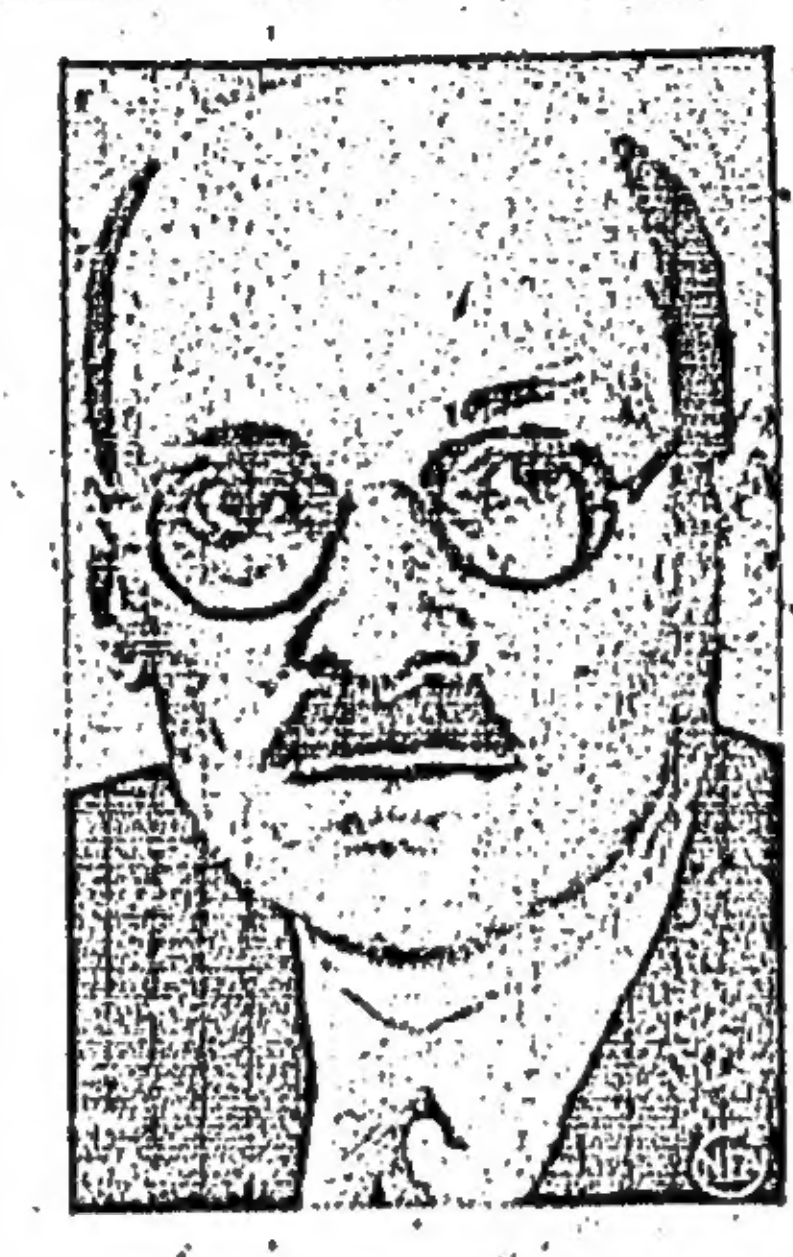
AIRFIELD ATTACKED

The airfield was attacked twice today by Dutch planes, tonight's Indonesian army communique said. The Jogjakarta radio later reported that the sole survivor was Abdul Gani, Secretary-General of the Republican Information Ministry.

The radio tonight broadcast a warning to India that it would shortly be broadcasting an official communique in connection with the Dutch attack on the Indian Dakota

identified with a large-scale building project must, in the interests of the public, be fully acquainted with the solid details—design of the proposed buildings; whether they are best suited to meet the needs of the moment; whether construction work can be carried out on a sufficiently imposing scale, and so on. But there is no reason why Government should stand aloof, offering no sign of encouragement to any scheme, until it possesses all these facts and figures. In his winding up of the Legislative Council debate on housing a few weeks ago, the Hon Mr D. M. MacDougall frankly declared that Government was prepared to assist any practical scheme which would contribute towards solving the housing problem. It is to be hoped that there will not be too much quibbling about that word "practical". Sponsors of the Braga home-building project argue they cannot fully prove its practicability unless they are given assurances of assistance, such as capital and cheap building sites; if Government, on its part, insists that it must be given a blueprint down to the last key-hole and the last cent to be expended before it can regard the building plan as practical, then Hongkong will have a long wait before its housing problem is solved. Government should not only publicly express its general attitude to the home-building scheme, but should indicate its willingness to give it practical assistance. A game of hide and seek over one word is not the way to produce either houses, flats or bungalows.

FACING A CRISIS



Mr Clement Attlee, British Prime Minister, who is facing a personal political crisis and who, according to reports, may be forced to resign. Mr Attlee is holding important conferences this week with high ranking members of the Cabinet and with the Labour Party caucus.

TROOPS CAN DESTROY HOUSES

Given New Powers To Fight Terrorists

Jerusalem, July 29.—Powers enabling the British Army to destroy houses used by terrorists in their attacks on security forces are announced in a decree to-day.

Such measures were used against the Arab revolt of 1936 to 1939, but this is the first time that they have been used in the present terrorist wave.

British troops were today warned that the Irgun Zvai Leumi group might attempt to kidnap a third soldier to join Sergeants Morvyn Paice and Clifford Martin, whom the Irgun threatened to hang if this morning's executions of three terrorists were carried out.

The three terrorists—sentenced to death for their part in the golf break in Acre last May—were executed at Acre early today and later buried in Safad, in northern Palestine.

Irgun Zvai Leumi members tonight toured shops, cafes and cinemas in Tel-Aviv ordering owners to close their premises immediately as a "mark of respect" for the three terrorists executed.

Most owners obeyed under threat of physical violence.

The Mayor of Tel-Aviv tonight told Reuters that the reports that he had been told by terrorists that the two kidnapped sergeants "would be returned shortly" was "pure invention".—Reuters.

Mrs Elizabeth Ingalls, 62-year-old former Boston socialite, was today convicted of holding a negro maid in slavery and was fined \$2,000 and given a suspended prison sentence of three years.

Mrs Ingalls was placed on probation for five years with the provision that she should pay \$5,000 for her services.—United Press.

Held Negro Maid In Slavery

San Diego, California, July 29.—Mrs Elizabeth Ingalls, 62-year-old former Boston socialite, was today convicted of holding a negro maid in slavery and was fined \$2,000 and given a suspended prison sentence of three years.

ROYAL WEDDING DATE

Nov. 18 Suggested

London, July 29.—Princess Elizabeth and Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten will be married in Westminster Abbey on November 18, the United Press was informed today by excellent Palace sources.

There will be no official announcement of the date until after the meeting of the Privy Council on Friday, but November 18 has been suggested by King George himself and there is no reason to doubt that the Council will confirm his wishes in the matter.

Previously, October had been most favourably mentioned as the wedding month because London's weather then is usually mild and would enhance chances of big outdoor celebrations, such as fireworks displays, certain to mark the event.

SURPRISE CHOICE

However, those in charge of arrangements feel they need another month for the comfortable arrival of delegations from the territories and Dominions and for the complicated planning that goes into an affair of this magnitude.

The choice of Tuesday was regarded as a surprise. It was understood fears were felt that a mid-week wedding would seriously interfere with Britain's production, in which every hour is vital. In fact, the Cabinet was said to have suggested a Sunday wedding for this reason. But there never has been a Royal wedding on a Sunday and the King vetoed the idea. Another suggestion for a Saturday ceremony as the least harmful to production also was discarded.

The Royal Family will stay at Balmoral until the beginning of October and then will return to London, where the Princess will start an intensive series of fittings for her trousseau.—United Press.

Scotland Yard Does It Again

London, July 29.—Scotland Yard today answered Moscow's charges that it was inefficient by bringing into court the gang who robbed the flat of Boris Karavayev, first Secretary to the Russian Embassy here.

Today, James Dawson, 22, was sentenced to three years in prison, and Sidney Stallard, 19, Arthur Rouse, 18, and John Catway, 17, to reformatory terms of up to three years.

Judge Laurence Vane asked: "Is there any suggestion of anything secret having been stolen?"

The prosecutor, Mr Griffiths Jones, replied: "I understand there was never any such suggestion by Mr Karavayev."—United Press.

HONGKONG HAS NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEM

Many telephone subscribers are getting twice as much use out of their phones as the result of a new unit plan just installed in part of the Colony by the Hongkong Telephone Co., Ltd.

Company technicians devised the system, which is equivalent to separating outgoing and incoming calls through use of wires arranged in complicated scientific pattern.

Advantages of the new unit are that it cuts down the number of busy signals, raises standards of service, and greatly increases the usage the subscriber gets from his phone, it was explained by Mr J. P. Sherry, the company's managing director.

In effect it gives two lines and two telephones where one existed before.

The new development affects existing phones only and will not relieve the existing shortage of phones, Mr Sherry emphasized. It applies to just a portion of the system, but it "definitely relieves overcrowding on heavily loaded telephones" and is especially advantageous to industries and offices where many people use the line. Mr Sherry could not prophesy when the hundreds of people waiting

Gas For Happy Valley

Gas will be available to the whole Happy Valley area within two weeks, officials of the Hongkong and China Gas Co., Ltd., said today.

Work of installing gas mains and replacing pipes torn out during the Japanese occupation has been going on for several months and is now nearing completion.

Restoration of the supply in the Valley area will leave only two sections not supplied with gas, officials said. Some sections of the Peak do not have gas, "but we have started work up there and hope to supply all that area by the end of the year."

Pokfulam is the other district which has no gas. A company representative said resumption of service there would depend on re-building of the area, in which few houses are occupied at present. Pokfulam was badly looted or damaged during the war.

Resumption of the Happy Valley service will be welcomed by the many residents who have been cooking on charcoal chaffies because no gas was available.

Britain's Political & Economic Crisis

London, July 29.—An official announcement on the eve of tomorrow's "crisis meeting" of the Parliamentary Labour Party that Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, has cancelled his visit to Japan and is hurrying home from New Zealand, was linked in London tonight with reports that a slashing of Britain's armed forces might be forced on the Government by the looming economic crisis.

While the War Office merely gave "pressure of business in London" as the reason, the sudden decision has placed in the spotlight the major problem confronting the Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee—the growing demand for drastic steps to alleviate the manpower shortage, which is threatening a revival of the winter crisis that crippled industrial production earlier this year.

As discussions among high-ranking Ministers of the Government continue, the Labour Party rank and file were seething with rumours of impending Cabinet reshuffles involving the Prime Minister's own position as well as that of the Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, and the Lord President of the Council, Mr Herbert Morrison, who is Britain's chief Planning Minister.

One rumour, current among the Leftist members, was that the Rightwingers of the Party would formally move at tomorrow's meeting that Mr Attlee should resign the leadership and hand over to Mr Bevin.

Another claimed that yesterday's personal attack on Mr Attlee's leadership in the pro-Government mass-circulation Daily Mirror, calling on the Labour Party to replace Mr Attlee, had been inspired by Mr Morrison.

Sober observers were not inclined to take these reports seriously, but they agreed in regarding them as much more significant than the last wave of reshuffle reports in the spring.

TWO CERTAIN FACTS

Behind the welter of conflicting information, there were two certain facts. One was that, owing to the dollar crisis, the present Government was confronted with the need of making up its mind quickly on a number of decisive issues which it has, so far, shelved.

The other was that, under this pressure of differences within the Cabinet, which have so far prevented a decision, have become a common subject of discussion among

But even here the proposals for the appointment of "wage advisers" at the Ministry of Labour to implement this policy are liable to be opposed by many unions.

A third issue was created by the campaign for a cutting down of Government expenditure for social services, food subsidies and housing, waged for some time now in independent papers like The Times, on the ground that only a reduction of purchasing power can achieve the necessary contraction of imports without a threat of internal inflation.

This is firmly rejected by the majority of the Cabinet, not only for political and social reasons, but also as unlikely to have the desired economic effect in a situation where large numbers of people could fall back on savings to avoid a cut in their expenditure.

It would, most Ministers believe, exacerbate the workers and discourage the "production effort" without really reducing the demand for imports.

Sir Stafford Cripps, however, is credited with being in sympathy for such proposals as part of a general programme of confronting the nation with sacrifices which he believes to be inevitable.

NATIONALISATION
A fourth issue concerns the future of the Government's nationalisation programme—both in Britain and in Germany.

The nationalisation of the iron and steel industries in Britain, provisionally scheduled by the Government for the next session of Parliament, has been thrown into the melting pot again by the pressure of a decision of opinion which urges that the risk of obstruction by the leaders of one of Britain's most crucial industries should not be run in the present emergency, and also that this move might decisively antagonise American Congressional opinion on the eve of vital loan decisions.

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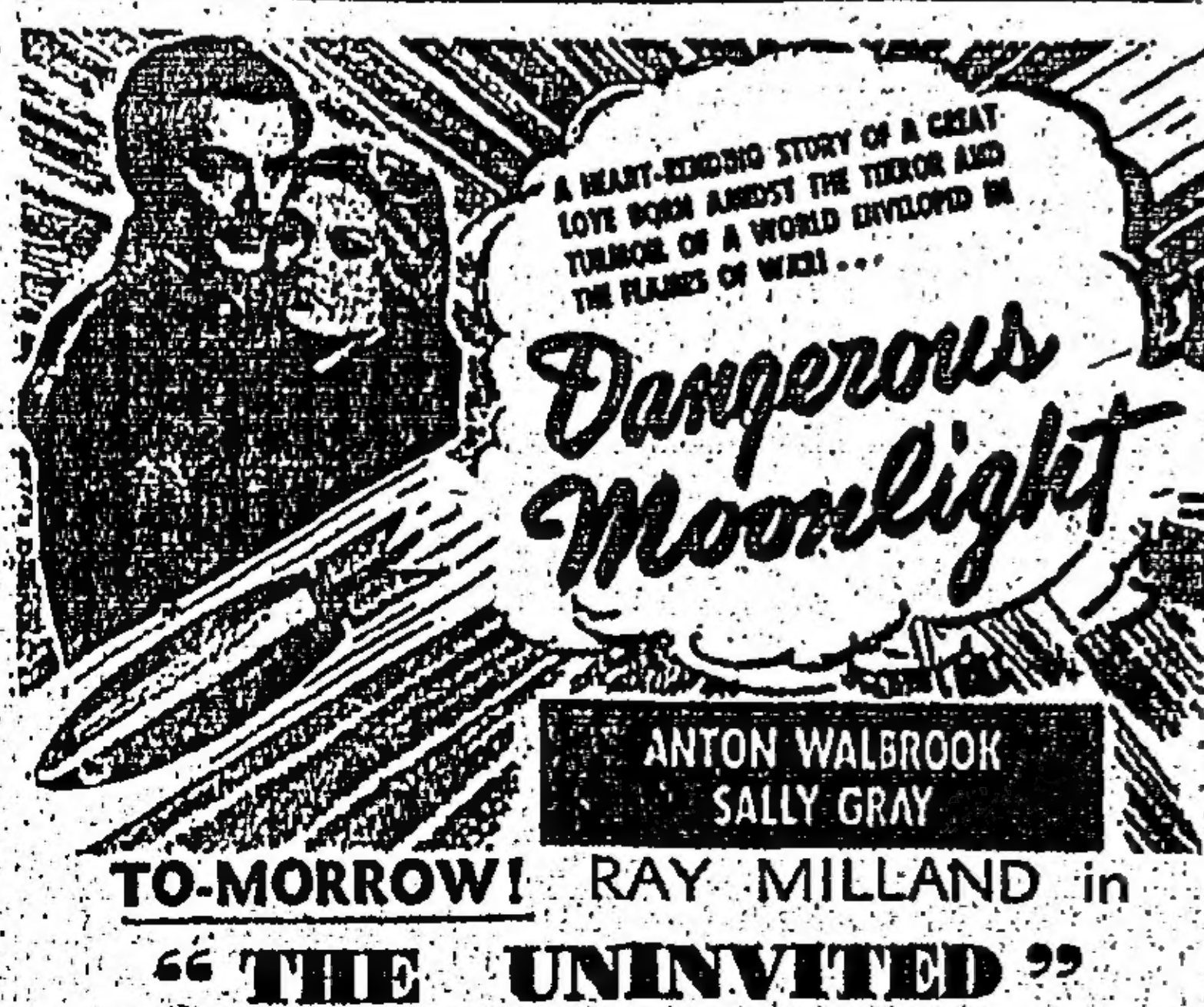
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Sitting on the Fence

by NATHANIEL GUBBINS

SO you want to write a column, do you? I mean the three of you who wrote in and said you wanted to write a column.

All right. Imagine you are me. You have some paper and a pencil and a vocabulary of a few hundred words. These are the tools of your trade, reduced to bare essentials.

What are you going to do about it? There is the blank sheet of paper in front of you, blanker even than your mind, which is at least thinking of something, even if it is only thinking, "I wish I hadn't a blank sheet of paper in front of me with nothing to put on it."

With that pencil and that sheet of paper you can do anything or nothing. Your limited vocabulary can be used to write drivel or the loveliest poem the world has ever heard. The best writing has been woven with the simplest words.

Are you getting nervous already? Shakespeare was no better equipped than you; Milton not so well equipped because he was blind. Keats was not a robust, healthy fellow like you and was sometimes hungry in a world of plenty.

Many an English poet has languished in poverty while plump poets grew fat and lollipops on the labour of others. You, at least, have your ration. Never in our history was there so much work to be done. So you needn't languish in poverty.

You can leap out of bed this minute, swallow your dried egg omelette and start your new career right away.

Write a sonnet

WHAT'S the trouble now? You haven't had a very good education?

Don't let that worry you. Dickens had no education worth mentioning. H. G. Wells educated himself. Shakespeare was hardly the public school boy of his period.

That's why public school boys of later periods tried to prove that he didn't write his own works. They felt that if England's greatest poet never went to a public school, it rather let public schools down.

Besides too much book learning sometimes cramps your style and narrows your vision, if you don't read the right books.

Too much book learning can also turn you into a columnist who writes nothing but a column of quotations, which is nice work if you can get paid for it, though it won't get you far with the reading public.

Why are you sucking your pencil instead of getting on with the job?

Oh, I see. You don't think you have enough space, do you? You have so much to say, your mind is teeming with so many ideas that you feel cramped, eh?

Wait till you've been writing a column for some years and you'll curse every inch of space you have to fill.

And what's wrong with writing a sonnet? They're only fourteen lines long. So you've got plenty of space for several sonnets. If they're very good sonnets we'd print them in smaller type to get them in. We're very fond of good poetry in this office. Some of us are educated.

In fact, we would be very grateful if you would write us just one sonnet—a sonnet of lovely sounds, of beautiful thoughts in the simple words a little child would use.

That's all there is to it, anyway. Just using the right words in the right order.

If you're still worried about not having enough space for your self-expression, I will tell you a story of Fleet-street.

When I was a young reporter I rushed breathless and sweating into my office, with what I thought was the greatest story in the history of

journalism. In fact, it was so big that I have forgotten what it was.

Panting in front of the night editor, I asked him how much I should write about it. Without looking up from his desk he said, "Six lines."

I said, "Six lines? But this is the story of the century."

Looking up for a moment to glare at me through his glasses, he said:—

"Young man, the greatest tragedy of all time was described in two words. They were, 'Jesus wept.' Are you trying to tell me you can't write your piffle in six lines?"

I wrote my piffle in six lines. He cut them down to three.

Try politics

WELL, well, well. So you haven't written your first line yet?

No, it's no use writing about a film you've seen. Film columnists do that. The same with plays. Critics of the drama do that.

And none of that baby stuff like "My Life," by A. Flowerpot. We did that in the kindergarten when I was at school.

Politics? Yes, you could write about politics, I suppose. I've got myself into enough trouble writing about politics myself so I don't see why you shouldn't. Getting into trouble and being misunderstood by silly people is part of the game.

By the way, what are your politics? You're not sure? You like some things and you don't like others? See, well, that's fair enough. Even if you support a Government there is no reason why you should agree with everything it does.

IN DEFENCE OF EVE SHE WAS JUST CURIOUS

WHEN Norah Trudgeon held up an apple in her kitchen window to invite Cecil Stewart inside, her husband became jealous and brought suit for divorce against her.

His petition was dismissed, but Judge J. W. Scobell Armstrong had this to say about the apple: "Had the wife been reading the first chapter of Genesis? If so . . . she would realise that it is not a story which is very creditable to Eve."

But no. Eve was no sinner. She created curiosity, our greatest virtue. She showed a spark of that light which has informed the lives of all our greatest explorers, scientists and philosophers. Indeed, she set the world alight.

Is that so discreditible? It is the cautious ones, the mean-minded and rapacious who have destroyed us. Curiosity never killed anything, least of all a cat.

Chivalry

SIR HARTLEY SHAWCROSS, Knight, dived into the water to rescue a girl aged eight. The act had some, but not all, of the virtues of chivalry.

The dictionary says those virtues are: A knightly dignity, courtesy, bravery, respect for right, respect for womanly dignity, and purity, and a military address. The knights of old, by industry, sometimes managed the lot. We are not always so industrious.

Thinking Aloud
By PAUL HOLT

For instance, I met a man back from holiday. He said: "We hired a car and we had a nightmare drive along a cliff. I thought the man was drunk and was sure he would topple us over every yard we went. When we got back to the hotel I said to the wife: 'I didn't want to tell you at the time, my dear, but I was sure that man was going to kill us both.'"

Why didn't he stop the car and let his wife get out?

I'm sure he never thought of it, so complete is modern man's dependence on mechanical transport. To stop a car in full and easy function, just because a passenger is afraid, would be a denial of nearly all man lives for.

His chivalry stopped short at shielding his wife from the thought of danger. Whereas the old knights laboured. They had a Party Line. Nobody outside their military order was allowed to practise these peculiar virtues, although they might do so on the sly.

Now it is common to all and open to all. But so few have the time to enjoy this fruit of democracy.

Who-dun-it's fate

MR MAURICE CRANSTON—the detective novel is dead. Primary cause of death is that the reader has become cleverer, shrewder, sharper, and generally more wised-up than the writer.

Secondary cause is a changed society where it is no longer possible to agree to policemen being fools, criminals, cunning and gentlemen of leisure, supremely clever. It is more likely true today to say that policemen are compromisers, criminals deserters, and gentlemen of leisure Bevin Boys.

Subsidiary causes of death are to do entirely with the reader. For whereas the who-dun-it used to be the prime relaxation of Prime Ministers, it has now swung so far away from the balance of cool detection towards the nasty extremes of violence and cruelty that its main appeal is to the subnormal reader.

A corpse to Sherlock Holmes was a specimen. It has become in our rough times a bloody carcass.

Honours

SIR ALEXANDER KORDA is reported to be amused because the suggestion is that U.S. Congress should set up an honours list for native who best establish and portray the American way of life.

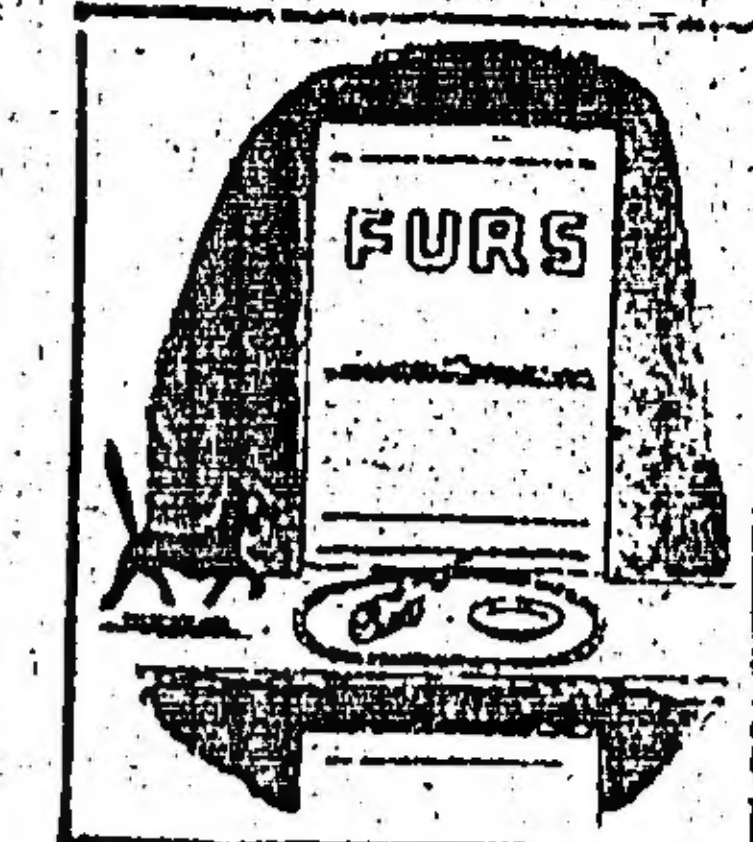
Yet it is well known that Sir Alexander's own knighthood came from the deep emotion Mr Churchill felt during the war at sight of his film, "Lady Hamilton."

And if that wasn't the English way of life then both Mr Churchill and Mr Korda were wrong. Which is absurd.

Cat and saucer

I KNOW what these flying saucers are. They are real saucers filled with milk by the A.S.P.C.A. (Animal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals). These saucers whizz around the world at tremendous speeds looking for Cheshire cats (whose grins, as is well known, are fast disappearing).

POCKET CARTOON



BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

SOME things, as the critic wrote of Miss Betty Grable's "Hamlet," are so perplexing that comment is difficult.

The other day a grocer said to a customer: "You can't have the leeks unless you have some apples." "Can I have the apples without the leeks?" asked the customer. "I thought it was the leeks you wanted," said the grocer. "It is," said the customer. "Then you can't have the apples," said the grocer, "but if you take the leeks, you must have the apples."

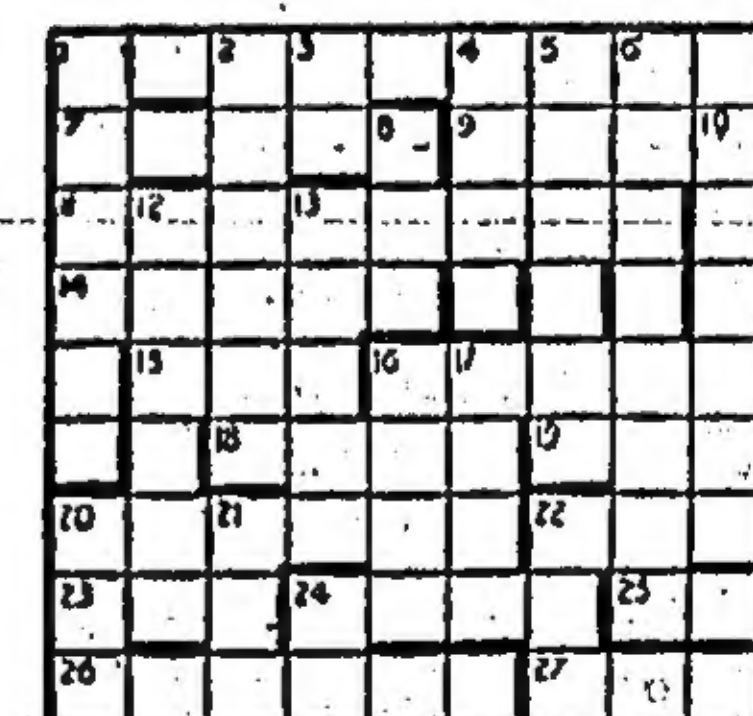
A bold experiment

A PLAY by Mme. Kodilva Oyul is to be broadcast for that highly polished section of the public which does not like Beegie Bright in "Swing It, Sailor!" The radio version of the play has been made by Uta Kroplin, and it is described as an essay in the interpretation of darkness on two planes. The chief character is an old man who lives in a railway tunnel. The line is disused, so no trains come by. But the old man can imagine trains passing. This will be suggested by the noises of trains. Then a little girl enters the tunnel, and imitates the noise of a train. The old man thinks the line has been reopened and goes away. The little girl is heard shouting: "All change for Manjilik. Mejd Euzu, Kasta mum, Yozgad, Tefail and Bash-Qual!" When the old man comes back the girl has gone, and the train-noises in his imagination are silent.

Britain can Fake it
A MAN who was assured by a grocer that the sausage he bought contained nothing but pure sawdust, complained that, on analysis, the sausage was made of pulped grass.

Kabmanggesellschaft
A PROMINENT nonentity has suggested that copies of the "List of British Candidates for Cabinet" should be sent to Germany, to help the campaign for the democratic re-education of the people. He says that young Germans could not fail to be impressed by the stress laid on the individual, and the fact that no cabman is more important than any other. Professor Huxley and his fellow-rationalists are said to be preparing a simplified List for German children. For example: WOD-GER, A. F.

CROSSWORD



22. It's cold if it is. (4)
23. It would surprise you to see a notice to this. (3) 24. Too. (4)
25. The man from the theatre. (4)
26. Rustle to a change. (3)
27. Habit. (3)

Down
1. Many a one has been glistening lately. (6)
2. A camp hawker. (6)
3. In this form we might represent the States. (2)
4. Where the monkey reaches for the unknown. (6)
5. A hero of Troy. (6)
6. A genus of ferns. (4)
7. The act of veracity. (3)
8. See 1 Across. (4)
9. Just have a taste. (6)
10. It's the deer I get down from. (6)
11. A weighty driver. (4)
12. You may need this to go swim. (4)
13. Branch of the Army in Great Britain. (3)
14. Letters of promise. (3)
15. Where? (4)

Solution of yesterday's puzzle: Across: 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41. 42. 43. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49. 50. 51. 52. 53. 54. 55. 56. 57. 58. 59. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81. 82. 83. 84. 85. 86. 87. 88. 89. 90. 91. 92. 93. 94. 95. 96. 97. 98. 99. 100. 101. 102. 103. 104. 105. 106. 107. 108. 109. 110. 111. 112. 113. 114. 115. 116. 117. 118. 119. 120. 121. 122. 123. 124. 125. 126. 127. 128. 129. 130. 131. 132. 133. 134. 135. 136. 137. 138. 139. 140. 141. 142. 143. 144. 145. 146. 147. 148. 149. 150. 151. 152. 153. 154. 155. 156. 157. 158. 159. 160. 161. 162. 163. 164. 165. 166. 167. 168. 169. 170. 171. 172. 173. 174. 175. 176. 177. 178. 179. 180. 181. 182. 183. 184. 185. 186. 187. 188. 189. 190. 191. 192. 193. 194. 195. 196. 197. 198. 199. 200. 201. 202. 203. 204. 205. 206. 207. 208. 209. 210. 211. 212. 213. 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Women BEAUTY ARTS

By LOIS LEEDS



Posed by Martha Vickers for Lois Leeds.

Here's how the Stars keep up their Shine!

STAR SHINE!

Martha Vickers, Warner Bros. player uses a lip brush to apply her lipstick in a smooth outline.

Red Head! Jeanette MacDonald with the fine textured, delicate skin of the true Red Head, smooths a thin film of cold cream on her face before applying her powder foundation. A good trick in dry weather or on windy days.

Brave Girl! Hillary Brooke, who wears a very subtle street make-up, would like to appear before the camera without make-up. She has a beautiful tan. Hillary sounds like a Brave Girl but anyone whose skin is so immaculately cared for need have no worries. Nightly scrubbing with a complexion brush, followed by a generous application of cream to prevent dryness, is Hillary Brooke's ritual.

Tick Tock! Monogram Pictures starlet Reno Browne has time on her ears, with a clever pair of Gold

earrings which are facsimiles of clock faces. "Thank Heaven they don't tick, I couldn't stand that!" says Reno.

Snow Angel! Penny Singleton wears a jewelled cocktail hat, a head-fitting cap of white satin, studded with white sequins. It makes her look like a Snow Angel. A white crepe cocktail suit, with simple, fluid lines, and a blouse frosted at the neckline with sequins, completes a breathtaking ensemble.

STRATFORD FOLK DANCE FESTIVAL

Stratford-on-Avon, birthplace of William Shakespeare, will be the meeting place from August 1 to 9 of folk dancers from all parts of England. They will arrive to attend the Stratford-on-Avon Folk Dance Festival, arranged by the English Folk Dance and Song Society.

Some hundreds of dancers will be present, and teams from various villages will participate. One of the teams comes from Bampton in Oxfordshire, where folk dancing has been taught from generation to generation for at least 500 years.

There are six men in a team and they wear knee pads with tinkling bells, white trousers and headgear resembling the modern bowler hats.

Many of the folk dancers wear white. This is said to be due to the fact that in remote times, England's primitive dancers attended pagan festivals and greeted the arrival of spring in white. Today the white is frequently brightened with red, green, yellow and blue.

Many teams bring "fools" with them, quaintly attired clowns who run in and out of the dancers and amuse spectators by their comic antics. There is also the richly attired hobby-horse, which was seen at most pageants in ancient England.

The folk dancers will perform in the halls, gardens and the streets of Stratford.

ALLIED MERCHANT SHIPPING LOSSES IN THE TWO WARS

The principal differences in merchant ship losses caused by U-boats in the first and second World Wars were the difference in the rate of losses and the difference in the average size of ships sunk.

In the first World War losses averaged nearly 95 merchant ships per month compared with 41 per month in the second World War. The average tonnage sunk per month in both wars, however, was approximately the same at 215,000 gross tons, the average size of ships sunk in the second World War being 5,250 gross tons as against 2,300 gross tons in 1914-18.

In the second World War covering a period of 68 months, 2,775 merchant vessels, totalling 14,573,000 gross tons, were sunk, and in the first World War covering a period of 51 months, 4,897 merchant vessels, totalling 11,135,000 gross tons, were sunk. These figures cover losses due to U-boats only, and do not include ships sunk by mines or other causes.

The difference in the rates of loss in all the more remarkable, as in the second World War U-boats had a far greater operational range and almost from the outset were able to use bases and facilities which placed them in a favourable position to attack shipping in the Atlantic and other seas.

Also from June, 1940, Germany had a partner in Europe, who came in to her assistance with more than 100 U-boats, while, until December 1941, Britain was left practically alone to face the onslaught.

In the War of 1914-18, it was Germany (except for Austria-Hungary, whose naval strength was negligible) who was alone with the naval forces of practically the whole World against her, yet in 1914-18 her U-boats were able to sink merchant ships at more than double the monthly rate achieved in 1939-45.

DRIVERS MAY BLACK OUT

The motor car driver who wears a stiff collar may be in danger of losing consciousness momentarily while driving, according to Dr. Cornelle Heymans, the scientist who won a Nobel Prize in medicine.

Dr. Heymans, speaking at the American Medical Association's hundredth anniversary meeting, explained that drivers' collars may press too strongly against the sides of their necks when they turn their heads to one side. If these drivers happen to have extra-sensitive nerves in the neck controls, he said, they are apt to "black out momentarily."

The human body has two nerve centre controls, he told newsmen. One is the aortic arch, just above the heart, where the nerves feel and measure the pressure of blood as it comes from the heart; the other is in the neck, one division on each side. The aortic centre "is the first safety valve in maintaining blood circulation," while the neck centre "is the safety valve to make sure the brain gets enough blood. Fainting and some form of dizziness are due to diminished blood in the brain," he said—Associated Press.

THEY EVEN TAX RELIGION

Mualama Safa Nadvi, a Moslem editor, says an influential group of Indian Moslem theologians is attempting to organise Mohammedans throughout the world to demand abolition of the Saudi Arabian tax on the holy pilgrimage to Mecca—about US\$155 for each pilgrim.

"The pilgrimage to Mecca to pay homage to the Prophet is a sacred thing for which Moslems sometimes save for nearly a life-time," he says. "These tens of thousands of visitors are an important economic factor to Saudi Arabia. India annually sends about 20,000 pilgrims to Mecca to pray at the Prophet's tomb."

FATHER WAS POISONED, MOTHER DIED OF GRIEF

Two little Polish orphans from Changchun, whose father was poisoned by the Japanese for refusing to collaborate with them, are among the 700 passengers in the UNRRA-chartered repatriation ship, Marine Lynx, which left Shanghai on Friday.

They are five-year-old Anna and 10-year-old George Sikora, who are en route to Poland where relatives will care for them.

Anna has never seen Poland for she was born in Manchuria, and George was only a tiny tot when his parents left Poland with him, so that their "native land" will be a new country to both of them.

Their mother died of grief shortly after their father's death. Since

then they have been under the care of a French convent in Changchun. George, who speaks English almost as well as he does Chinese and Russian, and curly-haired Anna were flown to Shanghai by the U.S. Army Air Force so they could board the repatriation ship. As normal communications out of Changchun are disrupted at this time, it would have been impossible for the children to have made the repatriation ship except for this service.

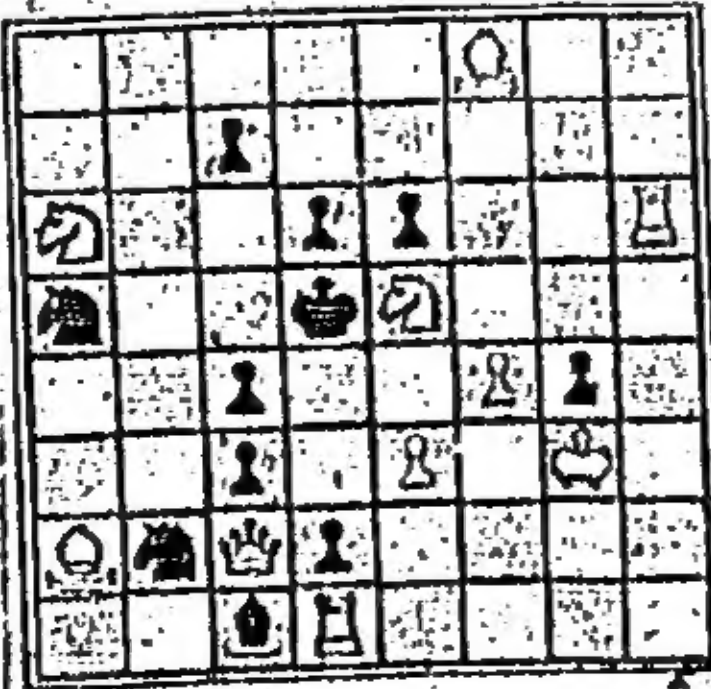
There will be other Polish persons aboard the repatriation ship, for the Cruszkowski family with their two sons went from Tientsin to join the UNRRA group of repatriates.

Most of the 700 refugees aboard ship will be repatriated to their former homes in Austria. The next largest group is composed of Germans and there are smaller numbers of Italians, Hungarians and Czechoslovaks returning to their homes.

CHESS PROBLEM

By W. FREISWERK

Black, 11 pieces.



White, 20 pieces.
White to play and mate in three.
Solution to yesterday's problem:
1. Q Q7, any; 2. K (ch) (ch); 3. K mate.



The Poles who will not go

About 5,000 Poles in Britain will not join the Resettlement Corps or return to Poland.

Recently 105 were deported to the British Zone of Germany and Mr. Charles Ede, Home Secretary, made a statement in the Commons recently explaining his power to make such deportations.

Under the Aliens Order, said Mr. Ede, he was empowered to make a deportation order when no court makes a recommendation if he "deems it to be conducive to the public good."

"It is not the Government's policy to force men to return to Poland against their will," said Mr. Ede. "It would, however, be wrong for them to think that because they are unwilling to return they can continue indefinitely to be paid and maintained in Britain."

Only Course
"The alternative offered to those unwilling to return is that they should join the Resettlement Corps or emigrate."

"If a man will not accept either of these offers, the only possible course is to send him elsewhere and make it clear to him that he can no longer look to us for help." In reply to a question Mr. Ede said: "I am at present maintaining in this country some notorious criminals because they suggest that their political or religious views, if any, would make them non-acceptable to their native country."

200 ATLANTIC CROSSINGS

Commanding a BOAC Constellation aircraft between New York, Shannon and London, Captain Donald Anderson, of Madbury, Perth, has just flown the Atlantic 200 times.

He is the second Scot and the third Briton to complete his "double century" of North Atlantic flights, the others being Captain "Buddy" Messenger, of Hertfordshire, and Captain W.L.S. Stewart, of Edinburgh.

So far as is known they are the first three men in the world to complete 200 North Atlantic air crossings.

Aged 36, Captain Anderson has, in 8,000 hours in the air, flown well over 1,000,000 miles. He started flying in 1932 at the Scottish Flying Club, Renfrew. He later joined British Airways and flew on the European routes. He was appointed a BOAC Captain in 1940.

INDIA RIDDEN BY DISEASE

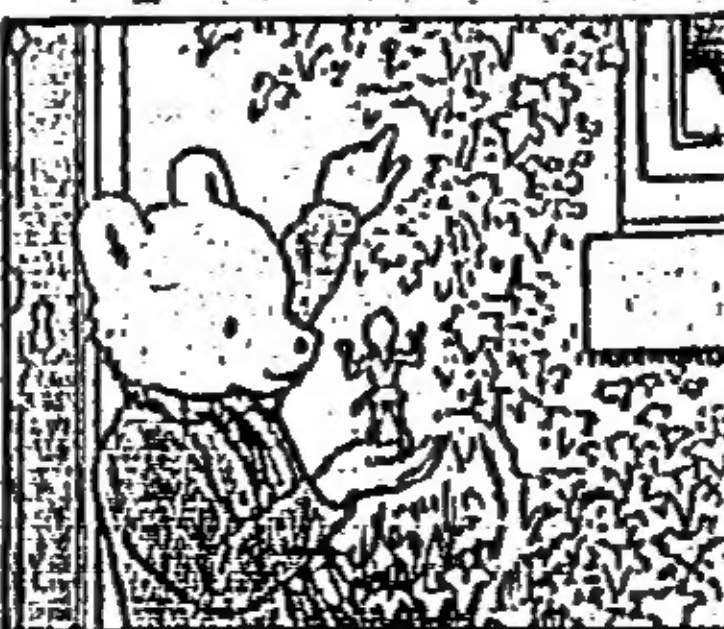
India is still the largest world source of such diseases as smallpox, cholera and plague, according to the annual report of the Public Health Commissioner for the Government of India.

Chronic malnutrition, a low level of sanitation and an almost total absence of controlled and protected water supplies, also are given as main reasons for the high incidence of deaths.

The report says existing health arrangements are totally inadequate to meet the needs of the people. Poor vaccination and inoculation, arrangements and lack of transport add to the country's difficulties.

Associated Press.

Rupert and the Young Imp—31



The young imp begs Rupert to tell him what the plan is. He has thought of, so the little bear picks him up and runs to the house he has seen. "Look, this is Granny Goat's house," he says. "She is ill in bed and is very sad because none of the flowers have come up in her window-box. You made apples and chestnuts grow, couldn't you run up this creeper and make some flowers grow for her?" The imp laughs eagerly. "Of course I could! I'm chuckles. Just you wait and see."

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Britannia Shield Competition

Five nations—Belgium, Czechoslovakia, France, the Netherlands and Norway—have so far accepted the invitation to send teams to compete in the Britannia Shield, to be held in Britain during Battle of Britain Week, September 15 to 21.

The competition is restricted to nations which took part in the Battle of Britain or whose forces were assembled on British soil between 1940 and 1945, and the shield, which is made of oak from London's Guildhall, will be awarded to the nation whose teams score the highest aggregate number of points in boxing, cross-country, running, fencing, shooting and swimming, in all of which sports Great Britain will be represented by teams from the Royal Air Force.

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SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"At your age! should think you'd seen so much love and romance that you'd be crazy about murder pictures!"

Washington, July 29.—Chairman Charles Eaton, of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, told the press today that firm American support of Greece was necessary to prevent Russia from overrunning "not only Greece but Turkey, Iran and India."

DIMITROV IN ZAGREB

Citizens Of Brest Feared Atom Attack

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The radio said that the landings were resisted. Two Dutch aircraft supported the landing.

Lake Success, July 29.—Russia today killed with her veto an American proposal to establish an 11-nation border watch commission in the Balkans. Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko calmly raised his hand to defeat the resolution after abstaining throughout 10 preliminary paragraph by paragraph ballots.

Dept. At Odds

The War Department said that Royall will confer with General Lucius Clay. Gen Clay and certain State Department officials have been at odds for more than a year over ways of reviving German production considered essential to the economic recovery of Europe.—United Press.

Yokohama, July 29.—Twenty-eight poliomyelitis cases, of which nine were of a mild non-paralytic type but three resulting fatally, have been reported this year among the occupation forces, largely around the Yokohama and Tokyo areas.

The health authorities are redoub-
g efforts and sanitary precautions
protect GIs.—United Press.

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were resisted. Two Dutch aircraft supported the landing.

...and personages."—
uter.

Harrisonburg, Virginia, July 29.—An explosion in a beauty parlour rocked the town today and at least two persons were reported to have been killed and 50 injured.

Issue—the cuts in the armed forces—
Reuter.

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Gloucestershire Wins To Share Top Place

White of Wakefield.
In carrying eight stone 10, Closeburn set up a record for a three-year-old in this event, which is now 107 years' old. Closeburn, starting at 100 to seven, came with a great run at the finish to overcome Com-

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